

**April 2007** 

# SC News

#### Salutations by: Julie L., President

Late winter precipitation has not hampered our hopes for the return of spring. Warm, sunny days coupled with emerging bulbs and blooms during March teased us. Excitement fills the air from the after-glow of the Bazaar to the anticipation of Crystal Bingo. Members look forward to these events.

We are very grateful to all of the groups who donated baskets for the Bazaar kick-off. We appreciate John Forsyth for a wonderfully entertaining Auction. The presentation of the baskets yielded a few friendly battles. The food was delicious and the chocolates had everyone raving. Once again, Joni and Andrea teamed together to make this a very special evening. The slate of officers for 2007-2008 was announced at the March meeting. Congratulations to the nominees:

President
Christina Schlegel

1st Vice President
Toni Fischer

2nd Vice President
Julie Lovett
Recording Secretary
Hope Call
Information Mngt. Officer
Bethany Jones

Operations Treasurer
Pending
Welfare Treasurer
Gabi MacDonald

We appreciate the nominating committee's efforts to recruit such wonderful talent.

FELICITATIONS to our BAZAAR TEAM! We salute Ann for her leader-ship. We thank the Committee Chairs for their organization and the volunteers for their hard work to make it the best Bazaar ever. These combined efforts ensure continued support to our community next year. Ann sums it up perfectly.



#### by: Ann W., Bazaar Chairperson

This year's SCSC Spring Bazaar was a resounding success, thanks to the 23 Bazaar Committee members, over 650 community volunteers, 103 vendors, and USAG-Stuttgart. I would like to extend my personal thanks to the Bazaar Committee for their hard work in finding vendors, volunteers, preparing facilities, publicizing the event, selling raf-

fle tickets, organizing and distributing food and ensuring the safety and security of everyone at the Bazaar. Thanks also to the 650 volunteers, from individuals to the schools and local organizations, who dedicated themselves to work 18 shifts over 6 days to support the entire effort—from build-up to tear-down. Without the help and support from the

entire committee and all the volunteers, this important event would not have been possible. Thanks also to Col Ken Juergens and his USAG-Stuttgart staff, who provided outstanding support for SCSC and the Bazaar Committee to ensure the success of this annual endeavor that benefits the entire Stuttgart military community.

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#### Attachments

 Crystal Bingo Flyer for April 24 at Swabian at 1800. Please feel free to print and distribute.

#### Thrift Shop News by Sonja J., 2nd Vice President

The Patch and Panzer Thrift Shops are still open for business and will continue to operate until the upcoming move. Please be aware that both shops are still accepting donations. On behalf of the Thrift Shop Staffs, thank you for your continued support.



The Patch Thrift Shop hours are:

Mon., Wed. & Thurs. 10:00-14:00

First Sat. of every month 10:00-14:00



The Panzer Consignment & Thrift Shop hours of operation are:

Tue. and Thurs. 11:00-18:00

And the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month
9:00-14:00

| SCSC 2007 Calendar of Events |                      |  |
|------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Date                         | Event                |  |
| April 3                      | Board Meeting        |  |
| April 24 (Date Change)       | Crystal Bingo        |  |
| May 8 (Date Change)          | Board Meeting        |  |
| May 15                       | Scholarship Luncheon |  |
| June 5                       | Board Meeting        |  |

Below are helpful Web sites for military families such as scholarship, tax, elder care and much more information for military families:

www.homefrontamerica.org www.nmfa.org www.militaryonesource.com www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil/



Ruth Pitts 4/4 Meme Shumaker 4/5 Lisa Mallets 4/11 Paola King 4/14

Katherine Dunn & Amanda Smith 4/16 Becky Stamper 4/17

Lauri Kizler 4/18

Gloria Green 4/23 Margaret Windes 4/25

Lois Borsay 4/26 Patricia Grass 4/28 Dawn McNevin 4/30

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### Membership Update by Michelle W., Chairperson

Happy Spring! The SCSC now has 180 members. The April 3rd deadline to join the SCSC in order to participate in our members only event, Crystal Bingo, on April 24th is a few days away. Anyone

interested in meeting the deadline to join can either e-mail me at

SCSC.membership@yahoo.com or give me a call at 07031-762-331 and I will make arrangements with you to submit your membership application to me.

Never doubt that a small group of committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.

-Margaret Mead

#### **Crystal Bingo**

Please check your calendars, Crystal Bingo is April 24th at 6:00 p.m. There was a date change several months ago; therefore, we want to be sure that you have it correct on your calendar.

Please note, this is a members only event. People who are not members prior to April 3 will not be able to attend this event. If you know someone interested in attending Crystal Bingo and they are not a member please forward the following information:

To join SCSC please visit <a href="http://www.stuttgart.army.mil/sites/services/spousesclub.asp">http://www.stuttgart.army.mil/sites/services/spousesclub.asp</a>

Download the membership application and mail it with a \$20 check to the address noted on the application. Membership is half price after January 1. Space is limited for Crystal Bingo. Please RSVP as soon as possible. The reservation deadline is April 10 or sooner if space is no longer available. Please RSVP to:

scsc4reservations@yahoo.com.

Crystal Bingo will feature items from Waterford, Swarovski, Tiffany & Co., and Villeroy & Boch. We have found the perfect chandelier, to cap off the evening. If you know someone who has been putting off joining the club, this is great incentive to join now. A flyer with location, and other specifics is attached to the end of this newsletter.

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#### Welfare Committee Update by: Karen T., Chairperson

The last Welfare donation request deadline for this year is April 15<sup>th.</sup> All requests after that date be held for consideration in September or denied, if the event takes place before September. If your organization plans to request a donation, please do so by April 15<sup>th</sup>!

Additional donations totaling \$20,943.00 were approved through March, bringing total donations this fiscal year to \$80,001.52.

- 1. PAHS Music Booster Club, \$1,000.00 to assist with travel and lodging costs for students attending the All European Honors Band and Choir in Wiesbaden, Germany 24–30 March 2007.
- 2. Venture Crew 1492 Scouting, Boy Scouts of America, \$1,660.00 to buy camping equipment for this new youth development program.

- 3. Stuttgart American Little League, \$1,850.00 for training equipment and gear, including batting and pitching nets, tournament baseballs/softballs, and catchers' equipment.
- 4. \$2,000.00 to the Stuttgart Army Community Association, to support rental of a facility for the Jun 07 Army Ball.
- 5. \$2,000.00 to Stuttgart Air Force Ball Committee, to support the Sep 07 Air Force Ball and reduce ticket prices for junior personnel.
- 6. Stuttgart Stallions Men's Community Softball Team, \$3,185.00 for equipment (gloves and bats), and hotel and tournament fees.
- 7. American Women's Activities Germany (AWAG), \$4,312.00 to help cover speaker costs for the Spring

AWAG Conference in Garmisch, Germany.

8. Böblingen Elementary and Middle School PTA, \$4,936.00 to send delegates to the May 07 European PTA Conference, purchase a wireless microphone for the gym and "The Partners Literacy Kit" for the Counseling Office, and to support the Scholastic Reading Counts program, the Middle School Dance and Elementary School Sock Hop, and after- school clubs.

The final Welfare Committee meeting this year is Friday, May 4, 2007. To obtain the Welfare application, go to www.stuttgart.army.mil. Click on "Garrison Services," scroll down to SCSC and click to go to the SCSC page. A link for the 2006-2007 Welfare application is on the SCSC page.

#### Going, Gone! by: Joni B., 1st Vice President

The SCSC Unit Challenge Auction, held at the March membership event, provided some fun memories while raising proceeds to benefit our Club's operations. I especially enjoyed watching the units' original basket theme ideas evolve into such lovely, enticing finished products!

My deepest gratitude goes out to our lively and humorous auctioneer, John Forsyth, and all of the spouses who collaborated and contributed to make the various unit baskets so fabulous. Your willingness to participate and the excitement each of you brought to this

event made the evening extremely enjoyable and successful.

Thank You:
SOCEUR
EUCOM J5/J8
Panzer Thrift Shop
NSWU2
EUCOM J3/EPOC
Patch Thrift Shop
EUCOM J2
Marine Forces Europe
EUCOM J4
EUCOM J6/J9
EUCOM Deputy Commander's Office
Volvo Military Sales Stuttgart











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# **Photo Gallery**



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## Many thanks for a job well done!



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...where do you fit in?

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SCSC's mission is to provide information and support to Americans living in the Stuttgart area through social venues and to give financial contributions back to our military community.

Our membership is open to spouses and members of the U.S. Armed Forces, civilians of the U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Forces contract employees, employees of other organizations granted status under the NATO Status of Forces Agreement and other civilians holding a valid U.S. passport and residing in the Stuttgart community.

#### We're on the Web:

http://www.stuttgart.army.mil/sites/services/spousesclub.asp

#### Where in the World?



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# CRYSTAL BINGO



To show appreciation to our members, SCSC is hosting Crystal Bingo on

April 24, 2007

6:00 p.m.

Crystal Room,

Swabian Special Events Center

Patch Barracks

Sushi and other heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served
Bingo Prizes include items from: Villeroy & Boch, Waterford, Swarovski,

Tiffany & Co. and the grand prize is a vintage chandelier



This is a members only event. Cost \$15

Please R.S.V.P. by April 10

scsc4reservations@yahoo.com